

Assembly Resolution No. 13—Assemblymen Buckley, Allen, Anderson, Arberry, Atkinson, Beers, Bobzien, Carpenter, Christensen, Claborn, Cobb, Conklin, Denis, Gansert, Gerhardt, Goedhart, Goicoechea, Grady, Hardy, Hogan, Horne, Kihuen, Kirkpatrick, Koivisto, Leslie, Mabey, Manendo, Marvel, McClain, Mortenson, Munford, Ocegüera, Ohrenschall, Parks, Parnell, Pierce, Segerblom, Settelmeyer, Smith, Stewart, Weber and Womack

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ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION—Adding Mouryne Landing Dini to the Assembly Wall of Distinction.

WHEREAS, The Assembly of the Legislature of the State of Nevada has established an Assembly Wall of Distinction for those past members of the Assembly selected by leadership who served with great distinction and who made exemplary contributions to the State of Nevada; and

WHEREAS, The Nevada Assembly wishes to add to its Wall of Distinction those past staff members of the Assembly who are selected by leadership to be acknowledged for their exemplary service; and

WHEREAS, Mouryne Landing Dini has the distinction of serving as Chief Clerk of the Nevada Assembly for an all-time Nevada record of 23 years, from 1973 through 1995, with integrity, professionalism and competency; and

WHEREAS, Born in Oregon, Mouryne attended public schools, studied at Hinniger Stephens Business College in Utah, and relocated to Nevada in 1963, where she and her husband raised their two children; and

WHEREAS, Mouryne first came to work for the Assembly as a committee secretary for the 1965 Regular Session, a time when the Legislature still met in limited space on the second floor of Nevada's historic State Capitol, and over the ensuing years, she was promoted to Assistant Chief Clerk, a position she held for the 1969 and 1971 Sessions; and

WHEREAS, Elected in 1973 as Chief Clerk of the Assembly, Mouryne Landing served in the first legislative session held in the newly constructed Legislative Building, remaining in that position until her retirement in 1995; and

WHEREAS, During the 68th Session when the Assembly membership was evenly divided between Democrats and Republicans, and leaders of both political parties served as Cospeakers of the Assembly and as Cochairs of the Assembly



committees, Mouryne faced the challenges presented by this historic circumstance with her usual professionalism and aplomb; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her vital role in the Chamber when the Assembly was in session, Mouryne worked diligently to modernize and professionalize the office of the Chief Clerk, leading her staff through some stressful situations, and she was always accurate, thorough and unflappable; and

WHEREAS, Mouryne also hired, trained and, by her spirited example, led the temporary staff for legislative sessions and was a nationally respected parliamentary expert, serving for 11 years on the Revision Commission for the *Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure*; and

WHEREAS, Mouryne ably represented the Nevada Legislature on other prestigious national organizations, including service as a member of the Executive Committee of the National Conference of State Legislatures, 1992 and 1993, and as President of the American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries, 1989 and 1990; and

WHEREAS, Mouryne is well known in legislative circles for her love of music and dancing, often dazzling her companions with her fancy footwork, but never losing her demeanor and grace, and her sense of fun and cheerful smile were a welcome addition to the Nevada Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Mouryne faced her own personal losses with stoicism and surrounded herself with the support of her legislative family; and

WHEREAS, Mouryne again found happiness in her marriage to Assembly Speaker Emeritus Joseph E. Dini, Jr., and is finally taking the time to relax and enjoy life following her many years of service to the State of Nevada; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That in recognition of her many years of service to the Legislature, ensuring successful and orderly sessions that were carried out in a calm, professional manner, always making sure the Legislators "did the right thing the right way," former Chief Clerk of the Assembly Mouryne Landing Dini is hereby added to the Assembly Wall of Distinction.

